

**REMARKS**

Claims 15-28 are pending for prosecution. Applicants have elected Group I, claims 15-22 and withdrawn Group II, claims 23 and 28, Group III, claim 24 and Group IV, claims 25-27. Claims 15 and 20 have been amended. Claim 16 has been cancelled.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicants respectfully submit that this case is in condition for immediate allowance. Early and favorable consideration leading to prompt issuance of this Application is earnestly solicited.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due. Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-0740 for any deficiencies.

Respectfully submitted,

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